SYNDICATE MAN SAYS AMMON PREPARED IT FOR HIM.

Fixed Up in Sing Sing and Turned Over to the "Herald"—Also Says Ammon Get \$55,000 in Bonds From Him—Man Who Took Miller to Canada Found.

William F. Miller said yesterday on the witness stand before Judge Newburger, in the Court of General Sessions, that in the spring of 1901, while he was in Sing Sing, he directed sat \$65,000 in Government and New York Central bonds, which have not figured in his asse before, be turned over to Col. Bob Ammon, his counsel, who is on trial on a charge of receiving the Franklin Syr dicate's stolen money. He said that Ammon subsequently acknowledged receiving the bonds.

Miller bought the bonds in 1899 through

N. W. Harris & Co., \$50,000 worth of Government bonds and \$10,000 worth of New York Central bonds. Miller said that he gave the bonds into the keeping of a friend on the day that he turned over to Ammon all of his other money, \$180,500. He didn't explain where the other \$5,000 in bonds

Lawyer Arthur C. Palmer, counsel for Ammon, who cross-examined Miller, pro-Ammon, who cross-examined Miller, produced a copy of the Herald issued on a Sunday in April containing more than a page of what purported to be a confession in Sing Sing by Miller, in which Miller threw the blame of all the Franklin Syndicate doings on Edward Schlessinger. It did not say a word derogatory to Ammon. Miller said that the "confession" was prepared by Ammon, who visited him in company with a Herald reporter and told him about it. Miller said he was too sick at the time to talk much. Ammon told him that the "confession" would do him good with the public, and Miller replied that he would stand for anything that Ammon wanted him to.

wanted him to.

Mf!/Palmer read many statements from the "gonfession" that Miller said were not true. He said that he had no scruples about lying to a newspaper, anyway, but felt different about lying under oath. He acknowledged that he had done so in other proceedings than Ammon's trial and said that it was done at Ammon's direction. He maintained that he is more careful to tell the truth at present because he considers the oath he is under now to be more serious than the one under which he committed perjury at Ammon's instigation, because in that case he was lying about property, and in the present case a man's liberty is stake.

in that case he was lying about property, and in the present case a man's liberty is at stake.

He said that one motive for his telling the truth at the present time is that he hopes for liberty. He said that he had agreed to tell the truth upon Mr. Jerome's promise to help him as much as he could.

Miller said that he was educated in the public, schools, attended Sunday school at the Tompkins Avenue Congregational Church for years and was a member when he formed the Franklin Syndicate. He said that he had little confidence left in himself as a friancier. He said that every married man lies, and that Dr. Parkhurst has said: "Every man lies more or less."

"Did you ever refuse to take a dollar from any one?" asked Mr. Palmer.

"Yes," Miller replied.

"What was the instance?"

"I refused to take less than \$50," replied Miller, who added that he gave no thought to the poor people who were among his depositors. "I guess I choked my conscience," he said.

Q. You don't consider yourself very stupid, do you? A. I have been stupid.
Q. You have recovered? A. I am getting wise, Mr. Palmer.
Q. Did you get wise when you talked to the O. Did you get wise when you talked to the District Attorney? A. No; before that—through my experience with Ammon.

Miller's cross-examination will be con-Miller's cross-examination will be continued to-day.

John Enright, the man who escorted Miller to Montreal, was picked up yesterday by one of Inspector McClusky's men and taken to the Criminal Courts Building, where he was examined by Assistant District Attorneys Nott and Hart.

He told them that he happened into Ammon's office about the time of Miller's flight and that Ammon told him he had a sick friend whom he wanted Enright to escort to Canads. Enright did not know who Miller was.

who miller was. Enright was once convicted of "holding up" immigrants at Castle Garden, and did six months on Blackwell's Island for it. Four or five years ago he was a special polleeman, and while Capt. O'Brien was in charge of the Detective Bureau did some "stool pigeon" work for him.

MRS. M'KNIGHT'S POISON WORK. Bellef New That She Has Murdered Bleven Persons All Told.

KALKASKA, Mich., June 11 .- Mrs. Mary McKnight, who confessed yesterday to having poisoned her brother, his wife and their baby, is now suspected of having polsoned eight other persons within the last fifteen years. All of the eight were either relatives or intimate friends, who died while living with Mrs. McKnight, or while she was at their house. All are said to have shown symptoms that are now believed to indicate strychnine poisoning.

They are James Ambrose, Mrs. McKnight's first husband, who died at Alpena in 1887; Mrs. McKnight, the first wife James E. McKnight, who died in July, 1887, at Alpena; Baby Teeple, Mrs. McKnight's niece, who died two days later in the same place, apparently of convulsions, like most of the other victims; Eliza Chalker, Mrs. McKnight's niece, who died in May, 1892; Sarah Murphy, Mrs. McKnight's sister, who died in February, 1898; Ernest

Sarah Murphy, Mrs. McKnight's sister, who died in February, 1898; Ernest McKnight, Mrs. McKnight's second husband, who died in November. 1898; all three in Grayling; Mrs. Curry, who died in Saginaw, in 1893, while Mrs. McKnight was at her mother's house; and Dorothy Jenson, a child, whe died in Grayling on Good Friday, 1902, while under Mrs. McKnight's care.

Ivestigation of these deaths shows that all of these persons except Mrs. Curry were taken suddenly ill, and show what are now regarded as unmistakable symptoms of stryohnine poisoning. The physician who tattended Ernest McKnight says that he is now confident that McKnight died from stryohnine. Eliza Chalker and Sarah Murphy were stricken at the table while Mrs. McKnight was present. Both died in convulsions in a few hours.

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Mrs. McKnight in connection with the manner in which she made it indicate insanity. There was no suspicion against Mrs. McKnight in connection with the death of the Murphys until she filed a mortage on her brother's property after his death, on which the figures had, it is alleged, been raised from \$200 to \$000. An investigation was then begun. The body of John Murphy was exhumed and strychnine found in the stomach. Mrs. McKnight was then placed under avreat and confessed. No motive for the crimes can be found. In the confession, which was made to Prosecutor E. C. Smith, Mrs. McKnight told of giving strychnine and water to the baby and capsules containing strychnine and giving strychnine and water to the baby and capsules containing strychnine and quinine to Murphy and his wife. They all died in convulsions soon after. Mrs. McKnight said in her confession that she didn't "mean any harm."

Largest Mirror Ever Made.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 11 .- The Empire Mirror and Bevelling Works of Alexandria has just completed the largest mirror ever made in the United States, and it will be shipped in a few days to the Farmers' National Bank of Pittsburg, Pa. The glass is 9 feet 2 inches wide, by 12 feet 2 inches long, and without a flaw. It will cost \$3,000.

Maurice Small Dies Suddenly. Maurice Small, 38 years old, of Henson Small, selling agents for the Patchogue Manufacturing Company, with offices at 443 Broadway, was seized with a hemorrhage in the office of Einstein, Wolff & Co., in the same building, yesterday afternoon and died before medical aid could be rendered. He had been staying at the Plaza Hotel. BISHOP AT A DEDICATION.

New Academy and Music Hall at Brent wood, L. L.

BRENTWOOD, L. I., June 11.-The new academy and music hall of the Sisters of St. Joseph in the Pines were dedicated to-day, and in conjunction with the dedication exercises was held the celebration of the silver jubilee of Bishop McDonnell. The buildings were blessed last night by the Bishop. The exercises to-day were opened with the celebration of mass by Bishop McDonnell. The students of the academy, who number about 150; the superiors of the mission houses and the sisters of the Flushing and Brentwood

sisters of the Flushing and Brentwood convents were present. A luneheon was served and afterward the visitors were conducted through the new buildings, and then all assembled in the new music hall. There a play, "The Silver Jubilee," was performed by fifty students of the academy. Our Bishop's Little Pets" was rendered by twenty-five children.

A handsome ewer and basin, for use at pontifical high mass, were presented to Bishop McDonnell by Mrs. Joseph F. Carey, president of St. Joseph's Alumns, in behalf of her associates. The Bishop expressed his thanks for the gift and for the many congratulations and good wishes he had received. He looked confidently forward to a bright future for St. Joseph in the Pines.

PUTTY BULLETS IN THE PISTOL. John Gill Laughs at the Way He Made His Brother Sign a Check for \$1,000.

STRACUSE, June 11.-The revolver with which John Gill held up his brother, Attorney Francis B. Gill, yesterday, making him sign a check for \$1,000, was loaded with putty bullets carefully made to imitate lead. Undertaker John McCarthy to-day became interested in the case and had a conference with John Gill. He went to the police station and asked to see the gun, saying that it was harmless. The lieutenant wanted to bet his month's wages that he could put a hole through the wall. McCarthy with his knife cut the supposed lead and it proved to be only putty. The shells had been exploded and the bullets formed with a piece of a match running through the centre, then the putty was blackened.

"It makes me laugh," said John Gill. "He begged me not to kill him and said we had slept together till we were it years old. I am enjoying the joke, even if I am confined in this cage and called insane." tate lead. Undertaker John McCarthy

KIDNAPPED 18 ITALIANS. Officers of Atlantic Contracting Co. Took Them to Yucatan.

On a warrant issued by Magistrate Dooley of the Adams street court in Brooklyn on the complaint of Giuseppe Belliseri of 168 Johnson avenue, James V. Camardella, the president and treasurer of the Atlantic Contracting Company, and Cerardi Amato, another officer of the same company, were arrested vesterday charged with kidnapping the complainant and seventeen other Italians. The complainant alleges that the contractors induced the eighteen Italians to leave their homes on the pretent

ians to leave their nomes on the pretext that they would get good employment within five hours' of New York, but took them to Merida, Yucatan.

Camardella and Amatopleaded guilty and were held in \$1,000 bail each to await examination. Camardella says he told the men where they were going and what work they were to do. He says that Wilson & Baihe paid paid them \$1.35 a day and provided good living quarters for them.

TOOK CHILD FROM AMBULANCE. Crowd Mobbed the Briver-The Child Had Scarlet Fever.

The health authorities and the police are looking for the young child of David Schwartz of 17 Norfolk street, who is suffer-

probate in the office of the Surrogate in Brooklyn yesterday. Mr. Bogert at one time was the Treasurer of Hoboken. He time was the Treasurer of Hoboken. He died on Saturday at his home, 235 Carroll street. The testator leaves \$1,000 each to his son, John W. Bogert and his daughter, Mary E. Ford. The residuary estate is to be divided in two equal parts, the income to be paid semi-annually to the son and daughter. At their deaths it is to go to their children. The estate is said to be large.

Nina Banferth, the Dwarf, Pardoned. BOSTON, Mass., June 11 .- Nina Danforth, the dwarf girl who has been serving a sentence in jail for manslaughter, was pardoned to-day by Gov. Bates and left the iail at East Cambridge a free woman. She has been in jail a little over a year, having been sentenced to twenty-one months for killing Andrew J. Emery in Framing-ham on May 17, 1902. The girl had the sympathy of the public.

More Water Mains for Brooklyn. The Water Department authorities in Brooklyn are planning for the construction of some additional trunk line mains which of some additional trunk line mains which will cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000. Next week bids for the contract will be invited. The plans include a 48-inch main running from the Ridgewood reservior through Cypress Hills road and Myrtie avenue to Myrtle avenue and Broadway, and an additional force main from the Ridgewood pumping station to the Mount Prospect reservoir.

The Weather.

The low pressure area which had occupied the country east of the Mississippi for the past four or five days was being forced off the coast yesterday by an extensive area of fair, cooler weather, which moved down from the Northwest and covered all the country west of the Alierhany Moustains.

Cloudy weather and scattered showers prevailed in all the States bordering the Atlantic Cores.

Last night the Weather Bureau found a storm centre off the North Carolina coast, but the wind here remained southeasterly.

The temperature was lower yesterday is all districts. In this city the day was generally cloudy with rain at night; average humidity 51 per cent; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A.M. 20.97, 3 P. M., 29.99.

WASHINGTON PORBCAST POR TO-DAT AND TO -MORBO . For Eastern New York, rain to-day, coaler in east portion: brisk north winds on the coast; fair and warmer to-morrow.

For Western New York, cloudy to-day; rain in east portion; fair and warmer to-morrow; fresh

north to northeast winds.

For New England, rain to day; fresh to brisk northeast to north winds: fair to morrow.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland. rain this morning, followed by fair; fair and warmer to-morrow; fresh to brisk morth winds. Por Delaware, rain to-day; brisk morth winds;

fair to-morrow.

For New Jersey, rain to-day, cooler in north and west portions; brisk north winds; fair to-mor-

FLIM-FLAM OF CANAL CREED.

LOSS OF NEW YORK'S COMMERCE A PURE INVENTION.

Treasury Department's Official Figures for Ten Years Befute the Latest Arsument of the Ditch Prepagan -A Progressive Increase in Trade

The Treasury Department of the United States makes ample reply to the charge that New York's commerce is falling off In a statement urging the expenditure of \$101,000,000 more on enlarging the ditch the canal job promoters baldly ignore official figures and say:

admitting that the cities of New York and Buffalo have developed and prospered under the construction and operation of the Eric Canal, which was a most efficient transportation route until within the last thirty commerce of the city of New York has not only shown a relative decrease, as compared with competing cities of this country, during the last twenty years, but has actually fallen off in export as well as in import trade in the last few years.

Is that statement true?

Doubtless some of the men who signed their names to it believed that it was, or put too much confidence in the accuracy of the press agents who drew it.

Here are the exports of the port of New York for the past ten years, as compiled by the Treasury Department and contained in its annual report for the year ending its annual report for the year ending

The loss in 1903 as compared with 1901 is officially explained in the Treasury Department's report as follows:

The fereign commerce of the United States in the fiscal year 1902 was larger than in any year of its history except 1901. Compared with 1901 there was a reduction of \$105,045,590 in exports and an increase of \$80,148,783 in imports. The reduction in exports was chiefly due to the shortage in the corn crop of 1901. the reduction in the price of cotton, and an unusual home demand for iron and steel manufactures. The shortage of the corn erop of 1901, due to drought, reduced the corn exportations in the fiscal year 1902, 151,181,413 ushels below those of 1991 and caused a reduction of \$66,342,310 in the value of corn exportation

New York's commerce is crowding its dock and wharf facilities. Since Mayor Low took office the amount of available Low took office the amount of available dockage has increased twelve per cent, and still there is not room for all who want to come in. New York's commerce shows its progression in these official figures. Much of this export trade is of a class far more valuable to New York than the export grain trade, which is the bulk of the canal's through freight. It may not be traffic that pays toil to the Buffalo elevator pool or the New York transfer companies, as the grain does, and therefore it is not as welcome to the Canal Association backers as the business that comes by canal.

If you are to vote this fall on the spending of \$191,000,000, which class of information do you prefer to take for your guidance? Do you want the unsupported declarations of a committee of New York and Buffalo men whose business interests may be bet-

or a committee of New Tok and Dulleto men whose business interests may be bet-tered by a larger canal? Or will you take the figures of the United States Treasury Department?

In its last previous piece of literature the

Canal Association jumped its figures \$70,-000,000 more than the official records to help along a lame argument.

Do you want facts, or do you want fiim-fism?

S DUCKS FOR A BAD QUARTER. Passengers Be the Ducking Because Company Wen't Take the Coin.

Schwartz of it Norfolk street, who is suffering with scarlet fever, and who was kidnapped on Wednesday afternoon from John Handy, an ambulance driver.

Handy started to take the child to the Reception Hospital when Schwartz seised the driver's wrist with his teeth. A crowd of excited tenants who did not know who Mandy was gathered around and stacked him. In the mêlée somebody secured the child and diseppeared with it.

Beveral policemen rescued Handy and arrested Schwartz. A search was made for the child, but it could not be found.

In the Essex Market police court vesterady Schwartz was held for examination on the charge of assault. He denied knowing anything about the child's whereabouts. Two of his other children are already in the hospital with the same disease.

Seba M. Begert's Will.

The will of Seba M. Bogert was filed for probate in the office of the Surrogate in and had to wait fifteen minutes. He says that the companies in order to see the woman or give a clue to her identity. She pleaded with the reporter against publicity because she hopes to get married soon and if the company knew what she was doing everything, including her job and the wedding, would be off.

The cause of the Nagle's disclosure was a letter written by a man who had a kick against the woman's financial system. The says that tevery morning the ticket seller on the effendants united as the "South African defendants united as the "South African the defendants united as the "South African the way in which a woman ticket seller on the weap in which a woman ticket seller on the weap in which a woman ticket seller on the weap in which a woman ticket seller on the weap in the whereabouts of the woman or give a clue to her identity. She woman is illegal and in restraint of trade. The complaint says that shippers are forced to stipulate to use only the lines of the defendant united as the "South African the woman ticket seller on the every use of the Vision the weap in the weap in the weap in the woman is financial system. The same the wom The Brooklyn Eagle, disclosed yesterday

and had to wait fifteen minutes. He says that he has been obliged to duck under for three days and that if it happened again he would report her.

A reporter found the woman who kept her accounts straight with difficulty and,

her accounts straight with difficulty and, under his promise not to use her name, she made these disclosures.

"Did you ask the man to go under the chain," she was asked.

"No, I did not," she answered. "I never ask any one but my friends to do a thing like that for me. Of course, sometimes I am a little short—mixed up in my accounts, I mean. When I send in my bills and count the change, sometimes, you see, the change down't come out right, you see.

and count the change, sometimes, you see, the change doesn't come out right, you see, and I have to make it up, you see, and I ask a friend to go under the chain."

The woman rattled it off so fast that the reporter didn't catch it all, so he asked to be further enlightened.

"Well, it's like this," she said. "Suppose you come here in a hurry and pass me a bad quarter and you get four tickets and an admission, and then another man comes up with a half dollar and I give him the bad quarter by mistake in his change and he goes out on the platform and comes up with a hair dollar and I give min the bad quarter by mistake in his change and he goes out on the platform and comes back and says I gave him a bad quarter and says he'll take a quarter's worth of tickets and makes me take the quarter back again, what can I do?"

The reporter had to say he couldn't guees the answer.

The reporter had to say he couldn't guess the answer.

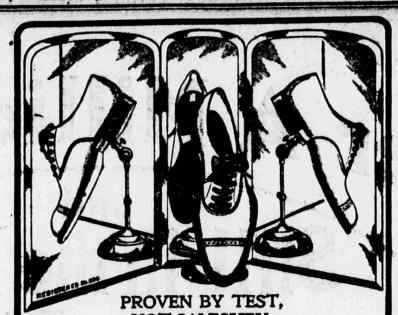
"Well," she continued triumphantly, "that's the way it happens, and I think that a man who would report a poor working girl that is selling tickets for sixteen years and is hoping to get married, for asking him to go under the chain when she's 20 cents short, is too mean and contemptible to talk about. And if you print it in the paper I'll lose my place and if I lose my place I can't get married, and—" a threatened outburst of tears broke off explanations.

explanations.

The reporter promised that he wouldn't print her name and she was going over the puzzle about the bad quarter again when he made his escape.

Retired Army Chaptain Turns Catholic NEW HAVEN, June 11.-It was given out here to-night that John S. Seibold, retired Chaplain of the United States Army, formerly an Episcopal clergyman and a close friend of Grover Cleveland, had joined St. Mary's Catholic Church. his conversion took place some time ago in Buffalo, N. Y. After his confirmation by Archbishop Quigley, Mr. Siebold removed to this city. His son is a physician here. He was in the army for over twenty years, retiring upon reaching the age limit. He is now 68. He was an Episcopal minister for over thirty years.

Drowned in View of a Crowd. ATIANTIC CITY, N. J., June 11.-Several hundred persons saw Frank Grundrech, 38 years old, a chef in one of the big hotels, drown in the surf this afternoon. He was drown in the surit this atternoon. He was a good swimmer and was bathing near the steel pier. Former Life Guards Hills, Penny and Parker were watching him swim and thought he was going out too far. Suddenly he threw up his hands. The guards got a life line and started out to his rescue, but before they could reach him he sank. An hour later the body was washed ashore. It is thought he was attacked with heart disease or cramps.



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SUE SOUTH AFRICAN LINES. Thomsen & Co. Allege That There's

Combination to Keep Up Freights. Thomsen & Co. of 90 Wall street, merchants in the South African trade, have begun an action in the United States Circuit Court against the Union Castle Mail Steamship Company, Limited, the Bucknall steamship lines, the Hansa line and their agents to recover \$5,560 for excessive freight charges and \$10,000 for loss of trade.

It is alleged by the plaintiffs that the

defendants united as the "South African

that it is to be fought as a test case.

ONLY 18, BUT HAD 3 HUSBANDS. Left One in Italy and Picked Up at Least Two More Here.

Anita de Lorenzo, an eighteen-year-old Italian girl, was sentenced by Judge Blair. in Jersey City yesterday, to eighteen months' imprisonment in the penitentiary for bigamy She pleaded guilty of deserting her husband in Italy, having eloped with a married man, whom she married, and subsequently left for a third husband who turned out to be a professional thief.
The Prosecutor had in The Prosecutor had information that she went through the marriage ceremony with several other men.

Actor Thaw Must Pay the Allmony Set. Charles H. Thaw, cousin of the Countess of Yarmouth, must continue to pay his wife. Euphemia Jeannette Thaw, \$30 a week wife, Euphemia Jeannette Thaw, 530 a week alimony pending the trial of his suit for a divorce. The order to that effect was made a year ago by Supreme Court Justice Blanchard, and Thaw recently applied to have it modified, saying that he has an income of only \$2? a week, his salary as an actor. Thaw lives in the Dakota apartments, and his wife says that he is wealthy, Justice Blanchard declined yesterday to Justice Blanchard declined yesterday modify his former order.

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ANDY DEVERY DOCTORS A DOG. McCulleugh Didn't Want to Kill Nero Who Once Saved His Life.

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ode, and a number of men carried him to a veterinary in West 199th street near the police station.

The doctor was out, and the animal was lying on the sidewalk when Sergt. Devery came out. He told McCullough that he'd better shoot the dog, but McCullough didn't want to because the animal once saved him from drowning.

The sergeant took off his coat, got a lot of handages and limitent and handages.

of bandages and liniment, and bandaged up the dog's leg. Then he called the patrol wagon and two cops and sent Nero home in style. Veterinaries said yesterday that the dog's leg would have to be amputated and it was probable that he would have to be killed. to be killed.

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